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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

DESCAMPS ET AL.)

Serial No. 09/787,714)

Filed: March 21, 2001)

For: ENDOFUCANASES AND METHOD USING SAME)
FOR PREPARING FUCO-OLIGOSACCHARIDES)
FROM FUCANES, BACTERIUM PRODUCING)
ENDOFUCANASES AND USES OF FUCO-)
OLIGOSACCHARIDES FOR PLANT PROTECTION)

Examiner: McIntosh, T.C.

Art Unit: 1623

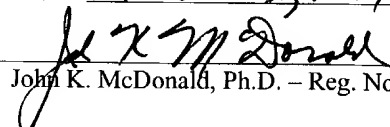
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1430

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed March 8, 2004, a response which is due April 2, 2004, Applicants respectfully file this Amendment and Response to Final Office Action mailed October 2, 2003, with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a three-month extension of time to file a response to the final office Action mailed on October 2, 2003, is enclosed together with a check pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) in the amount of \$420.00, which is the fee for a three-month extension of time less the fee for a one-month extension of time previously paid and filed on January 5, 2004, in which the large entity fee was inadvertently charged. A check in the amount of \$385.00 is also enclosed to cover the payment of fees for the

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on March 31, 2004.


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RCE pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and appended remarks.

Amendment to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.